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EDITORIALS*

POSTGRADUATE SERVICE—C. M. A. EXTENSION LECTURES AND CLINICS

The Work of the California Medical Association Committee on Extension Lectures.—When, on May 8, 1929, at the annual session in San Diego, the California Medical Association adopted its present constitution and by-laws, it provided for a standing "Committee on Extension Lectures"; which committee, at the present time, consists of Doctors James F. Churchill of San Diego, J. Homer Woolsey of Woodland, Robert T. Legge of Berkeley (chairman), and, ex officio, the Association Secretary. This committee made a report, addressed to the members of the component county societies, and printed on page 45 of the January number of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, to which attention is once again called, both because of the importance of the subject and the desirability of county society coöperation. Every such unit might well have a standing com-

mittee on postgraduate study, whose function would be to aid in bringing the efforts of the State Central Committee to happy fruition.

Chairman Legge and the Association Secretary, who are, naturally, at the members' service and will welcome any helpful suggestions, are particularly anxious to render all possible aid in supplying speakers to talk and demonstrate on topics of general or local interest. This year's plans of the California Medical Association Committee on Extension Lectures contemplate something more than merely printing, as heretofore, a list of lecturers, from which the program committees of component societies could choose an occasional "extra-county" speaker for a monthly program. It is hoped to change so haphazard a method and to bring about real interest in postgraduate studies throughout the entire State by not only having lists of speakers, but by assigning them to as many communities as possible for one- and two-day postgraduate sessions.

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Every County Medical Society Should Coöperate.—It is designed that the president and secretary of each county society, acting with the local committee, if such exists, should submit a report at the next monthly meeting, and then communicate with the Association Secretary so that the proposed extension work may be started. The interesting item on postgraduate study (printed on page 43 of the January issue) might well be read at each county society meeting, because it not only explains the need of supplementary study and research for almost everybody, but makes clearer why, through lack of such study, many licensed practitioners fail to become affiliated with medical organizations. Postgraduate application is very necessary since it makes not only for individual improvement, but for development of a stronger and better expression of scientific and organized medicine.

Because the committee, of which Doctor Legge is chairman, is anxious to serve the Association everywhere, it is to be hoped that county society officers and members will give whole-hearted and early coöperation.

THE LEGISLATURE IS IN SESSION

Report on Proposed Public Health Legislation Not Yet at Hand.—The California Legislature is in session, but at the time of this writing the legislative hopper is still comparatively empty. Before January 26, however, when the January-February recess may be expected to commence, unless this year's legislature is different from its predecessors (which it most likely is not), a complete assortment of prospective laws will have been placed on file. In due time, thereafter, the California Medical Association's officers will bring to the attention of county societies those measures having a bearing on public health and medical matters.

* Editorials on subjects of scientific and clinical interest, contributed by members of the California Medical Association, are printed in the Editorial Comments column, which follows.